

## House Resolution 523

By: Representatives Kaiser of the 59<sup>th</sup>, Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>, Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Lindsey of the 54<sup>th</sup>, Bell of the 58<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Zoo Atlanta and its new president and CEO, Mr. Raymond King, and inviting  
2 him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Zoo Atlanta is Atlanta's oldest cultural attraction and draws visitors from  
4 around the world by giving them an informative, educational, and engaging experience with  
5 the Earth's most majestic and humble creatures; and

6 WHEREAS, Zoo Atlanta, in partnership with the Georgia Public Library Service, has  
7 unveiled an exciting new program that allows Georgia residents to access the Zoo Atlanta  
8 Family Pass for free admission for a family of four; and

9 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Dr. Lamar Veatch, the partnership created between the  
10 Georgia Public Library Service and Zoo Atlanta will give numerous Georgia residents the  
11 opportunity to visit and experience all Zoo Atlanta has to offer; and

12 WHEREAS, Zoo Atlanta is also proud to announce the selection of longtime civic leader Mr.  
13 Raymond King as its new president and CEO; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. King has dedicated 22 years to SunTrust Bank, Inc., working for the last  
15 eight years as senior vice president of community affairs; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. King has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role  
17 that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the  
18 citizens of Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
20 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this  
21 state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

22 WHEREAS, the addition of Mr. King to the Zoo Atlanta family is sure to lead the attraction  
23 to even greater success.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend Zoo Atlanta on its rich history and tradition, recognize  
26 its amazing new Zoo Atlanta Family Pass program with the Georgia Public Library Service,  
27 congratulate Mr. Raymond King on his selection as president and CEO of Zoo Atlanta, and  
28 invite him to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be  
29 determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Zoo Atlanta, Mr. Raymond  
32 King, and Dr. Lamar Veatch of the Georgia Public Library Service.